



Central Texas STARZZ
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FACT SHEET

ABOUT US

The Central Texas STARZZ is a non-profit 501(C)3 youth services program, an affiliate of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU). In 2008, discovering a vital need for additional youth basketball opportunities in the local community, Charles and Dorothy Lyons started the Central Texas STARZZ. Since our beginning, many outstanding young adults have worn the Red and Black of the Central Texas STARZZ. Join us as we start a new year!

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Central Texas STARZZ is to provide an opportunity for our young people to develop and improve their basketball skills, as well as their personal development. Through basketball, we hope to teach valuable life lessons about teamwork, discipline, respect, hard through participation in a very competitive sport.

OUR GOALS

- a. To become one of the premier basketball programs within Central Texas.
- b. To provide a quality and competitive youth basketball program.
- c. To teach the fundamentals of the game, sportsmanship, and teamwork.
- d. To prepare players to play at the next level.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

The Central Texas STARZZ will provide a competitive schedule of weekend tournaments for our players from April through July. At a minimum, we can expect to play at least six weekend tournaments between the months of April and July. For some teams, overnight tournaments may be a possibility. Tournament dates and locations will be determined by the team coach. Coaches will provide a tournament schedule before the season starts. However, changes may occur as additional tournament opportunities become available.

We must charge a player participation fee. These fees will be used to offset operating expenses such as tournament entrance fees, cost of uniforms, equipment, insurance and general operating expenses. The participation fee for this year has not been determined but it will be based on number of team participants and team objectives. Total team fee amounts are normally due at registration, unless prior arrangements have been made with the team coach or Program Director.

We do not expect participation fees alone to cover all of our operating expenses. Therefore, we do expect coaches, parents, and players to participate in team and program fundraisers to raise additional funds.

We hope the generosity of the local community will support us through donations and sponsorships. So we encourage our players, family members, and supporters to seek out these sponsors.

TOURNAMENTS

Tournaments will be played throughout the local area on weekends, sometimes both Saturday and Sundays. In some instances, we may be asked to play on a Friday. This is not the norm and may occur only once or twice. Coaches will schedule their tournaments based on team objectives, cost, location and travel. Our youngest teams will normally travel no more than one-hour to tournament locations.

Parents will be asked to provide transportation to and from tournament sites for their children. We believe that parents should attend as many tournaments as possible to support their children. We realize this is not always possible and we will work with parents to resolve any transportation issues that may arise.

Parents, other family members, and friends attending weekend tournaments will have tournament admission costs, food costs, and travel expenses. This is the most expensive part of travel program. Tournament admission cost can be as much as \$8-\$10 per adult /per day. Some tournaments may be two days. Then there is the additional cost of

food and transportation. It can get very expensive for a weekend. Best situation is no more than two tournaments per month.

If the tournament requires overnight lodging, team expenses can be off set by fundraising, donations and sponsorships.

Please consider these expenses when determining the total financial costs of participation in this program.

Team coaches will provide parents and participants with additional information as the team organization process continues.

The Central Texas STARZZ is a "Drama Free Zone." Any act deemed detrimental to a player, parent, coach, team, or the organization will result in removal from the organization by the Program Director(s).

We are available to discuss our program with you further. Please contact us!

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